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Tracey Elected Freshman President

Quintet To Play Ten Games

SMITH, BEAUCHAMP DIRECT ONE ACT PLAYS

Two one act plays were presented by the Junior and Sophomore class at the Dramatic Club meeting on Wednesday evening at the Assembly Hall. "The Lovers" was coached by Edith Beauchamp, and "Elizabeth's Young man" was directed by Hilda Smith.

The Junior Class play was cast by John Labenski, Jane Beers, Estelle Carson, James Amsler, and Elaine Curtin. Kay Huot, Gertrude Mulcahy, Gladys Lavin, and Harriet Miller took the parts in the Sophomore play.

Only members of the Dramatic Club were allowed to see these two plays. It is hoped that in the near future they will be presented at a college assembly period.

MR. HALLIDAY GUEST SPEAKER AT LUNCHEON

Mr. Hebert Halliday, general secretary for the local Y.M.C.A., was the guest speaker at the Debating Club weekly luncheon held at Palmer Hall on Tuesday noon. He spoke about the service ideals of the community and the objectives of the Rotary Club.

At the business meeting that followed, Dave Scanlon was elected vice president and Harry Mitchel was elected treasurer of the organization.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE INJURES TWO PLAYERS

Jim Amsler and Bill Konsavage, two of last years veterans, were injured during basketball practice. Other varsity members who have come back this year are: Bejune, Phillips, and Kendall.

Amsler fractured his finger in a practice game before the Thanksgiving recess, and is not expected to play again until January. Konsavage tore ligaments in his left leg and sprained his ankle while at practice last Wednesday. Bill may be out for two or three weeks.

The schedule for the year is:

Decmeber 10	R.I.C.E.	away
December 17	Arnold	home
January 10	Keene	away
January 14	R.I.C.E.	home
January 17	Hyannis	home
January 28	Salem	home
January 31	T.C. Conn.	home
February 4	Bridgewater	away
February 11	Keene	home
February 18	T.C. Conn.	away

ELECTION OF NEW YORK DELEGATES ON TUESDAY

Dorothy Dahlquist and Mary O'Connor, Seniors, and James Amsler and Turo Halfours, Juniors, were selected as nominees for the New York Teachers Convention in the spring. Two of the nominees, (one from each class), will be elected by the

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GILMARTIN, McCARTHY EDWARDS ALSO VICTORS

Bill Tracey, from Leominster, Massachusetts, is the newly elected president of the class of 1945. Margaret McCarthy of Gardner was elected vice-president, Anne Gilmartin of Fitchburg is the secretary, and T. Roswell Edwards Jr. from Fitchburg is the treasurer.

Tracey and Turo Halfours, president of the Junior Class are the first two commuting men to gain the presidency in three years. Since then, only dormitory men have had that position.

F.T.C. LOOKING FOR MORE CHEERLEADERS

Any Freshman or Sophomore interested in becoming a cheerleader leave your name in Box 308. Tryouts will be held in the near future.

Wanted: New cheers for the coming basketball season. Original cheers will be given special consideration. Leave any suggestions in Box 308.

ALUMNI BOARD MEETS SATURDAY

The Board of Directors of the Alumni Association is to meet on Saturday afternoon, November 29, to discuss plans for the alumni reunion and help organize the work of the following committees: Membership, College Relations — Public Relations, Field Service, Publications, and Alumni Reunion.

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Editorial

STUDENT FACULTY RELATION COMMITTEE

"WHAT HAVE YOU" mentions the existence of a Student Faculty Relation Committee at F.T.C. Exactly what is the purpose and function of this committee? How does this committee effect the student relationships with the faculty?

The purpose of this committee is to help keep constant harmony between the faculty and the students. Any grievance between a faculty member and a student may be "ironed out" by this committee. We are very fortunate that this faculty board has never had one case to contend with. It seems that when a difficulty has come up between a student and a faculty member, they have put their heads together and "thrashed" it out.

The faculty here at F.T.C. has proven without a doubt that it is human and that it appreciates human relationships with the students. This is evident in the friendly association that is displayed in our smoking room, the annual banquets, and other social functions. The Student Faculty Relation Committee is there only as a last resort. Here's hoping that it never will have occasion to be used.

The delegates who attended the New England Teachers Conference in Boston came back with renewed appreciation for our faculty. They felt that our faculty was acting more as an advisory board rather than as a dictatorial Gestapo. Hats off to our faculty—and to our most liberal minded president who indirectly is responsible for the present harmony between students, faculty, and administration.

What Have You!!

HATS OFF—F.T.C.

Once again our delegates came forth from the New England Teachers Training Conference with a hat too small to wear—take a bow, faculty and students!

The panel discussion on Student Participation in Formulating Policies of College Administration and Class Procedure brought to the front our progressiveness. We have the only well organized a'l school cooperative association.

Other schools do not include all four phases of extra curricular life—athletics, social, cultural, and financial. They seem to pay more for less on all sides.

Contrary to the general feelings of several of the delegates, we seem to have a definitely superior student faculty relationship. This is exemplified by: (1) our Student-Faculty Relations Committee under the faculty organization; (2) by the student running all his affairs with faculty advisorship only; and (3) by an unwritten general cooperative spirit.

Our present system of censorship of our school publication shocked the delegates. Some schools have to pass their material in to a faculty board for approval.

Three times our policies were derogatively pushed aside with the remark—"but you're a State Institution." However, the State Institution of Fitchburg runs more varied assemblies under a student organization at a cost supported one half by students and one half by the administration whereas the college of our friend was unable to raise one-seventh of this small amount for their assemblies and they are not a state institution.

Many of you may disagree with our boasting, but this is a comparison. I feel that with understanding and interpretation of our set-up, we can reach as high as we like in student participation in running our school.

The general outcome of this panel discussion is something that we can look into with profit. "There should be more student appreciation for faculty wisdom, experience and advice and there should be more faculty toleration of student ideas and abilities."

This participation is important to us in that as prospective teachers, we need the experience.

By Dorothy Dahlquist



Heard in an electrical class:

"I've been working on this problem for the whole period, but I simply con-duit!" (Oh, be quiet, you pun-haters!)

Doesn't it seem strange that "Wally" Healy should burn Brigg's mixture in his "boiler" when everyone knows that he is a rabid P.A. man?

We didn't know that Mr. Hammond was a poultry-raiser. On a recent trip with said instructor, one of the lads remarked that they served "nice Hammond eggs" at the Hotel Raymond.

After the Fitchburg High Victory Dance (the first real one in four years) Thanksgiving nite, it is evident that the Frosh fair sex are leading double lives. J. Thomas, E. McCauliff, D. Caouette and K. Doheny were all squired by home-town boys. It happened at Clover Hill:

A waitress was taking a number of filled glasses to a booth when a smart exponent of efftee-cee humor asked her what she had in the glasses. When she answered, "Ice cream floats.", the bright one remarked dryly, "Really, now, does it?"

Freshmen Broderick, Hannant, and Jennings were practising Ballet dancing on the front steps. I'll buy the first ticket, girls! You look very promising.

You can quote Dot Yando as saying that the Ouija board doesn't work—the teachers can stop worrying.

NEW CHEER SONG WRITTEN FOR F.T.C.

To the Tune of: THE FIELD ARTILLERY SONG, "AS THE CASSIONS GO BY"

Give a cheer; give a cheer!
For the boys are with us here
A fighting for old F.T.C.
Give a cheer; give a cheer
They'll deliver, never fear
And hand us a real victory.
They're here to fight; and fight
With all their might,
Cheer, oh cheer them evermore,
As they march down the field,
The enemy will yeild,
And a goal will roll up the score!

AFTER THE TEAM HAS SCORED, WE SING:

Give a cheer, give a cheer
For the boys that we have here
Still fighting for old F.T.C.
Give a cheer, give a cheer
They delivered; that was clear
Now yell for that big victory!
They were here to fight, and
Fought with all there might,
Cheer, oh cheer and yell for more,
As they march down that field,
The enemy did yeild
Now look at the change in the Score.

by Jim Delaney

PRESENTING OUR NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

Two new personalities are very much in evidence on the faculty. Mr. Charles Elliott has replaced Mr. Louis Kulcinski, and Mr. Willis Whitehead is substituting for Mr. MacLean.

Coach Elliot brings a wealth of experience to Fitchburg. After graduating from Springfield College, he has been active for fifteen years in coaching assignments. Often a student at Lou Little's famous football clinics, he has also studied with Hal Beasley, Princeton's tennis coach. Mr. Elliot intends to stress seasonal sports at Fitchburg. He also hopes to develop a genuine sports environment.

In private life Mr. Elliot maintains a substance farm in Becket where he and Mrs. Elliot

BERTHE HEBERT HAS HAD INTERESTING CAREER

Miss Hebert is member of the Junior High School faculty. She was born of Norman French parantage in Warren, Msacashu-setts. Miss Hebert was tutored by Breton nuns and under their instruction learned to love the old world tales and customs.

At Lasell Seminry, she attracted the attention of George Chadwick, dean of the New England Conservatory of Music. The French government gave her a scholarship of a years residence in France for further research in folk music. In addition to training at the Fontainebleau Conservatory of Music, Miss Hebert received her Bachelors Degree at Columbia University and her Master's Degree at Boston University.

Berthe Hebert was assistant instructor of French at New-Coliversity, and instructor of Music at College Misericordia in Dallas, Pennsylvania. At Pennsylvania State, she was director of French folk songs and a recitalist.

Miss Hebert, a mezzo contralto, whose voice has been praised by noteworthy critics throughout the country, appeared with Michael Bartlett in "Rigoletto". Philip Hale, dean of American critics, remarked—"She has a full rich voice, an appreciation of the best in music, and a pleasing personality".

live with their daughter Louise.

Mr. Willis Whitehead was educated at Ohio State University. He has had extensive experience in high school teaching in Ohio. At present he is deeply interested in teacher training. Mr. and Mrs. Whithead and their two sons are now residents of Fitchburg.

Sportscope

VARSITY BASKETBALL

The basketball practice season is going into its fourth week. Practicing in the B. F. Brown Gym, Coach Elliot is rounding out a starting quintet which will meet R.I.C.E., December 10, in Providence. With veterans such as Konsavage, Phillips, Bejune and Kendall showing their old form and newcomers including Savitt and Chase looking good, F.T.C. ought to get off to a fast start. Last year's record against R.I.C.E. shows a 48 to 41 loss in Providence and a 42 to 40 win here in Fitchburg. With these scores as an indication of the play to be expected, the opener ought to be a thriller.

Jim Amsler, last year's spark plug, had a really tough break last week when he fractured a finger in practice. Although this is bad news for the present, Jim ought to be ready before the season really gets under way in January.

There is a fair sized squad out and coach is stressing the importance of fundamentals, scrimmaging and sleep.

INTRAMURAL GAMES

Intramural touch football is in the mothballs for another season and now comes basketball. The Junior Grammar Masters, last years winners, will have another good team this year and shape up as the team to beat again. Figured to give them the best battle will be Don Flather's Soph G.M.'s or Jesse James' Senior I.A. team unless the Freshmen come up with a wonder team. The action is due to be hot and heavy during the winter

GUEST SPEAKER PRESENTED BY GAVALEERS

The Gavaleer Society presented the Honorable Robert E. Greenwood, former Mayor of Fitchburg, as guest speaker at the assembly last Tuesday.

The speaker offered his political philosophy together with multiple city hall situations. Mr. Greenwood's concrete and realistic approach to his material was refreshing and informative.

New York Delegates

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entire Student Cooperative Association, at the Association Meeting on Tuesday, as delegates to that conference.

The Association Meeting will take the place of our regular assembly period on Tuesday. The Chairmen of the different organizations and board of F.T.C. will be asked to explain their relationship with the Student Cooperative at that time. There will also be a discussion on our Handbook. The students are asked to have their handbooks with them.

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RIGHT HAND MEN

Two boys, who haven't been getting the write ups but who have been doing swell work in sports this year are Tom Goulart and "Roz" Edwards, the coach's two right hand men. Tom has helped a lot even while in training. "Roz" has taken over the manager's spot during the soccer and basketball seasons. He has done his duties well, being a doctor, equipment manager, and all-around man; and deserves all praise which is due him. Good work, "Roz" and Tom, keep it up.

Orange and White

It's too bad that the hockey season is over for after having attended the National Field Hockey Tournament a great number of helpful suggestions could be had from the delegates representing F.T.C. Here are a few that you might carry over until next year. If you're interested in playing hockey the first must is to learn how to run. By that I don't mean double quick walking but really run. And if you are interested in playing good hockey you will learn and practice running fast. Proof of the asset is that one of the players in the tournament ran in the Olympic games and all the other players were able to keep up with her as far as running and speed were concerned.

The next important skill in hockey is to be able to hit a hard, clean pass. With fast and directed passes the game moves faster and is more open. Chances for attack are less and a straight forward line is held. These two factors are the outstanding things to work on and once they are conquered then the stickwork, teamwork, and general play are developed. So, during these wintry months when you have a broom in your hands practice a full sweeping stroke in your sweeping in preparation for hockey.

Cold weather predicts snow (indirectly). Have you started our skiing setting-up exercises? I heard that going up the stairs, two steps at a time with your feet turned outward, is an excellent warmer-upper for the her-ringbone. Also, from now 'til snowtime instead of standing on two feet try balancing yourself on one foot as a method of strengthening the leg muscles.